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REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1)

Case No.	ANTICIPATED CLASSIFICATION OF THIS APPLICATION		PRIOR APPLICATION EXAMINER	ART UNIT
8285/628	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Rasha S. Aubaidi	2642

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This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1), of pending prior application number 09/406,215, filed on September 27, 1999, entitled TELEPHONE SET HAVING A HELP KEY AND METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR USE THEREWITH.

- ☒ Copy Of the Prior application, including 5 sheets of drawings, 29 pages of Application (including title page), and the following Appendices _____.
- ☐ Copy of the Declaration filed in the Prior application.
- ☐ PTO Form 1449 and Information Disclosure Statement.

CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	22 - 20 =	2	x \$ 18 =	\$0
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	3 - 3 =	0	x \$ 84 =	\$
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$280 =	\$ 0.00
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))	\$ 750
				Total of above Calculations =	\$
				Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)	\$
				TOTAL =	\$0

- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27
☐ is enclosed.
☐ was filed in prior application number _____ and such status is still proper and desired (37 CFR 1.28(a)).
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ to cover the filing fees.
- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the prior application and otherwise enter the attached preliminary amendment before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).
- ☒ The inventor(s) of the invention being claimed in this application is(are): Bruce E. Stuckman, Wayne Heinmiller, Karen Pelletier, and Edmond W. Israelski.
- ☐ This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2), the Commissioner is requested to delete the name(s) of the following person or persons who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application: _____.

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10. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ division of application number _____, filed _____, (pending), which is hereby incorporated by reference herein."
11. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.
12. ☐ Priority of foreign application number _____, filed on _____ in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application number _____, filed _____
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
14. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Ameritech Corporation.
15. ☒ Also enclosed: Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO 1449.
16. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to: Vincent J. Gnoffo and other attorneys at the firm of BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE.
- a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. ☒ Address all future correspondence to: (may only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)

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☐ Assignee of complete interest
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☐ Filed under 37 CFR 1.34(a)
Registration Number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a): _____

TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 8285/628
Serial No. Not yet assigned	Filing Date Herewith	Examiner from Previous Application R. Aubaidi	Group Art Unit from Previous Application 2642
Inventor(s) Bruce E. Stuckman et al.			
Title of Invention TELEPHONE SET HAVING A HELP KEY AND METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR USE THEREWITH			

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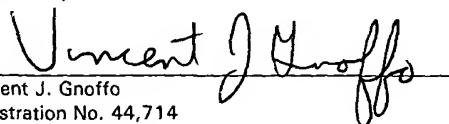
Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Cover Letter (1p. Filed in Dup.); Request for Filing a Continuing Application (2pp. Filed in Dup.); Preliminary Amendment (7pp.); Patent Application (25pp. of Specification including title page and 5 sheets of drawings); Information Disclosure Statement (3pp. Filed in Dup.); Form PTO 1449 (1p.); and PTO Reply Postcard.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity		or	Other Than Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee		Rate	Add'l Fee
Total	22	Minus	20		x \$9 =			x \$18 =	
Indep.	3	Minus	3		x 42 =			x \$84 =	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+ \$140 =			+ \$280 =	
					Total add'l fee	\$		Total add'l fee	\$0

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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 Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on July 16, 2003.

Date: July 16, 2003 Signature: Vincent J. Gnoffo